

Public Works (1898) Department.

G.O., No. 750 W.

DATED 19 March 98

[Despatch Abstract.]

Tent. The estimate amounting to Rs. 33 for the purchase of a necessary — required for the use of Sub Conductor Slaney, an Upper Subordinate in the North West Division, sanctioned.

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Public Works (1898) Department.

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From The Supg. Engineer
to the Circle.

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Dated 1st March 1898

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SUBJECT.

Necessary tent for
Sub Comdr. Stoney
Submits for sanction
of Government an estimate
amtg. to Rs 33 for one

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Suptg: Engineer's office IV circle
Coimbatore 1st March 1898.

From.

A. H. Garrett, Esq.,
Superintg: Engineer,
Fourth circle.

To,

The Chief Engineer,
Public Works Department,
Madras.

Sir,

I have the honor to
submit for sanction of Government
an estimate amounting to Rs 33
for one necessary tent required
for the use of Sub-Conductor Slaney
an European Upper Subordinate
in the North Arcot Division.
2. A Cashmere tent 10x10
is being ^{returned} sent from the 3^d Circle
for this subordinate in place of
a Hill tent tent for famine work.

I have the honor to be
your most obed^t Servant.
Adm^d
Suptg: Engineer IV circle

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Account.

READ—the following papers :—

From the Superintending Engineer,	I Circle, dated 25th Nov. 1893, No.	525 G.L.
" " " " "	I " " 29th Dec. " "	941 G.N.
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" Supt. of Works, No. I Periyár Divn.,	23rd " " "	200 C.E.
" Muir Mills Co. (Limited), Cawnpore,	21st Nov. 1893.	
" " " " "	27th " " "	

Note by the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department.

G.O., No. 2435 W., dated 21st September 1893, recorded the sanction of the Government of India to the supply of tents for the personal use of the officers of this department and, before submitting to Government formal proposals as to the scale on which tents should be provided, the opinions of the senior officers of the department were asked for.

2. These opinions are very various and it is by no means easy to lay down a scale embodying all the suggestions which have been made.

3. In the Bombay Presidency to which a reference was made, no scale has yet been laid down.

4. There seems to be a very general opinion that the Regulation tent is not suited for Public Works officers, and most officers express a preference for Swiss cottage tents. These latter tents are cheaper than Regulation tents.

5. The following scale will, it is considered, meet the wishes of most officers, though, if sanctioned, permission should be given to deviate from it on cause being shown, provided the total cost sanctioned is not exceeded :—

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEERS.

	Price.
	RS.
1 Swiss cottage 14' x 14'	450
1 Hill tent with bath-room attached 14' x 14'	426
1 Servants' tent 12' x 12'	60
1 Necessary tent	30
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EXECUTIVE ENGINEERS.

	Price.
1 Swiss cottage 12' x 12' ...	RS. 380
1 Hill tent with bath-room attached 12' x 12' ...	372
1 Servants' tent 10' x 10' ...	50
1 Necessary tent ...	30
	832

ASSISTANT ENGINEERS.

1 Hill tent with bath-room 12' x 12' ...	372
1 Cashmere tent 10' x 10' ...	183
1 Servants' tent 10' x 10' ...	50
1 Necessary tent ...	30
	635

UPPER SUBORDINATES.

European.

1 Hill tent with bath-room 10' x 10' ...	314
1 Necessary tent ...	30
	344

Native.

I much doubt the necessity of providing natives with tents, as they can, with much more comfort to themselves and servants, put up in villages or chattrams. For special reasons they might be allowed, in which case a bechobah 10' x 10' would suffice — price Rs. 153.

6. The cost of supplying tents to all officers would be—

Superintending Engineers, Rs. 966—	
For 6 ...	RS. 5,796
Divisional officers, Rs. 832—	
For 24 ...	19,968
(Omitting Buckingham Canal, Workshops, Periyár No. I and Tank Parties.)	
Assistant Engineers, Rs. 635—	
The number is difficult to arrive at, but taking the present strength on duty and omitting appointments not requiring tents and including Honorary Assistant Engineers, say, 30 ...	19,050
European Upper Subordinates, Rs. 344—	
Number 45 ...	15,480
	60,294
Natives—	
Say, about half the strength may require tents, or, say, 50 at Rs. 153 ...	7,650
Total ...	67,944

Conveyance charges for tents from Cawnpore are about 10 or 12 per cent. of cost of tents. But the mills allow a discount of 10 per cent.

The cost, therefore, of supplying tents to the whole department may be put down at Rs. 70,000.

7. If this is sanctioned, the whole amount would not be required at once as most officers already possess tents, but allowing for this the immediate expenditure will be so heavy that I hesitate to recommend it in view of the smallness of the grants available for next year.

8. If the scale proposed above be approved by Government, I would suggest that it be sanctioned for adoption and that an estimate be prepared of the requirements of each circle; the estimates will be duly sanctioned, but a limit will be fixed to the expenditure to be incurred during the present and next official years; if this limit is not sufficient for the immediate requirements of the circle, the Superintending Engineer will have to distribute the amount allotted to the best of his judgment, bearing in mind that as a rule the junior officers, who are the least able to bear the expense of purchasing tents, should be provided for first.

20th January 1894.

(Signed) J. PENNYCUICK, Colonel, R.E.,
Chief Engineer, P.W.D.

ORDER—dated 30th January 1894, No. 270 W., Public Works.

His Excellency the Governor in Council concurs in the views expressed by the Chief Engineer, and, under the Government of India Resolution embodied in Proceedings, No. 2435 W., dated 21st September 1893, sanctions for adoption the undermentioned scale of Government tents to be supplied to officers of the Public Works Department for use on tour:—

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEERS.

	Price.
1 Swiss cottage tent 14' x 14' ...	RS. 450
1 Hill tent with bath-room attached 14' x 14' ...	426
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Native.

(When necessary.)

1 Bechobah tent 10' x 10' ...	153
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2. Permission to deviate from the above scale in individual cases will be given if sufficient cause is shown, provided no extra cost is involved.

30TH JANUARY 1894, No. 270 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

3. The estimates referred to in paragraph 8 of the Chief Engineer's note above recorded should be submitted by Superintending Engineers as early as practicable.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. PENNYCUICK, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
„ Superintending Engineers.
„ the Consulting Architect to Government.
„ the Superintendent of Works, Periyár Project.
„ the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

GENERAL.
ACCOUNT.

Govt. of {1894} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated January, 30th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 30th Jan. 1894, No. 270 W.

JANUARY.

Tents

Sanctioning for adoption a scale of Government — for supply to officers of the Public Works Department on tour and requesting Superintending Engineers to submit estimates of their requirements.